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is pleased to Museum acknowledge following the membership renewals in the FRISCO FOLKS:

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is pleased to following new museum welcome the members to the FRISCO FOLKS:

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Museum Dispatch

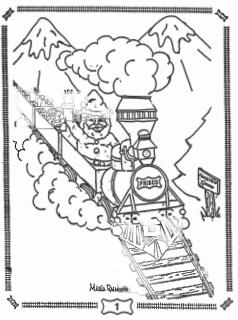
Christmas Open House

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The Museum is pleased to announce its third annual CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE. The two weekends prior to Christmas, December 10-11 and 17-18, the museum will be open extended hours: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Saturday, and 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday. During the open house the museum will feature a collection of train and train related Christmas decorations. The exhibit, to be displayed throughout the museum, numbers in excess of 200 pieces and includes such items as tree ornaments, boxes, candles, music Christmas cards, and novelty items. first fifty The families to visit the museum during the Open House will receive a hand-crafted train ornament, the third in a series made especially for the occasion. All Frisco Folks and Frisco friends are invited and encouraged to attend.

SANTA SPECIAL COLORING CONTEST

The Museum is sponsoring its second annual "Santa Special" coloring contest for students in the Ash Grove Elementary School, grades Kindergarten Each student through sixth. will be given an opportunity to color the picture shown below, drawn especially for the museum this year by a high school art student. will be selected from picture each grade and the students coloring the winning entries



will be invited to ride on the museum's float in the Ash Grove Christmas Parade. Grove Christmas Parade, December 10. Copies of the drawing will also be handed out to children visiting the museum during our Christmas Open House. A

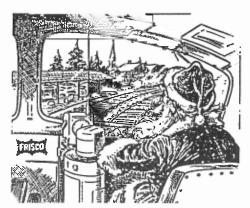
FRISCO TRIVIA

The artist who designed the art work for the 1969 Frisco calendar apparently was not too knowledgable of standard track construction techniques. If you look closely you will notice that the track spikes are driven into the ballast rather that the crossties. +his minor defect was no doubt brought to the attention of the advertising department for the 1970 calendar, featuring the same art work, had the in proper spikes their location.





EDITOR'S NOTE: Thanks and a tip of the Frisco hat to Frisco Folk Loren C. Aldrich for this tid-bit of FRISCO TRIVIA.



ROLLING WITH RAIL- O-MATIC

comprehensive "Passenger Train Report" was issued by the Industrial Engineering Department, Springfield, MO. The report was designed to review Frisco passenger service and equipment, and make recommendations for changes in the passenger department. One novelidea the use of vending machines to provide passengers with meal service. Mr. Stanley McCarthey, of the Company, Industrial Vending proposed the installation of four machines; coffee, cold drinks, cold foods (sandwiches), and candy.

After a considerable amount of research and inquiry into service similar types of offered on other roads, Frisco coach #1064 was pulled into the West Coach Shops and remodeled to accommodate the Four seats were machines. removed from the center of the car and a window was removed to permit forklifting largest machine into place. A new power plant was also installed to provide the necessary 120-volt current for On September the machines. 20, 1963, the coach, equipped with its "RAIL-O-MATIC" food vending machines, went into service on trains #3 and #4, the "Will Rogers," between St.

Welcome Aboard! THE WILL ROGERS You'll find food and beverage vending machines at the "Rail-O-Mat" on this train. Iced Cold Drinks 104 Hot Coffee 10¢ **Hot Chocolate** 104 Milk 10¢ Fruit 10¢ and 15¢ Sandwiches 25¢, 35¢ and 40¢ Potato Chips 104 Condy 10¢

We hope you have an enjoyable trip and that you caturn soon and often. Keep this as a souvenir of your trip.

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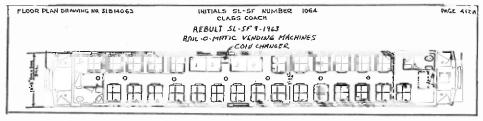
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Pastry

Gum and Mints



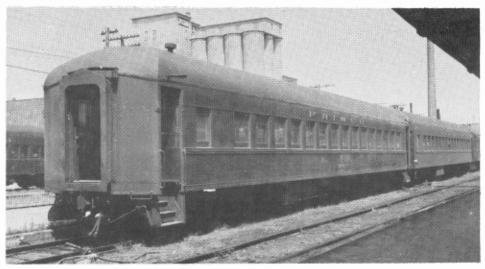
Frisco photo



Louis and Springfield. The "Automatic Food and Beverage Car," as it was advertised in an October, 1963, public timetable, remained in service for eight months. Mechanical problems and lack of passenger use resulted in the service being discontinued on April 30, 1964. In 1965, car #1064

was placed in extra service and in December, 1967, it was dismantled and sold for scrap.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Thanks and a tip of the Frisco hat to Frisco Folk Robert Plough for providing information and materials for use in this article.

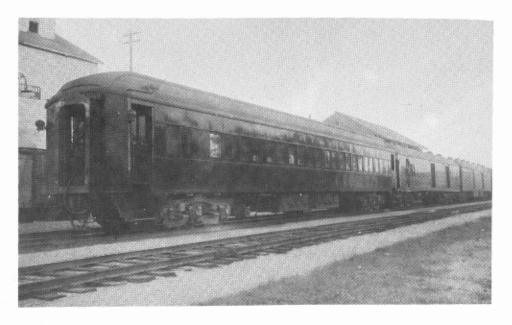


In May, 1923, the American Car and Foundry Co. built eight 70' steel coaches, Lot No. 9358, for the Frisco at the ACF St. Charles, MO plant. Built at a cost of \$22,724.48 each (A.F.E. #3307), the cars, Nos. 1101-1108, weighed approximately 162,000 lbs., rode on six-wheel trucks, and had vestibule entrances on each end. They had monitor roofs, were painted Pullman Green with gold lettering, and had an original seating capacity of eighty-eight. Four of the cars remained in service as coaches and four were converted to coach-snack buffet) cars.

Car No. 1101 was converted to coach-snack-lounge car No. 1601 in 1935. One year later, No. 1106 was similarly converted to No. 1606. In 1944, No. 1104 was converted to a snack-coach combination No. 1602, and in 1947, car No. 1105 was converted to a coach-snack-lounge car, No. 1603, the "Glendale."

Car No. 1601 (1101) was sold for scrap in September, 1964, and No. 1606 (1106) met a similar fate in May, 1959. Car No. 1602 (1104) was converted to Boarding Car #105494 in June, 1968, and was assigned to the St. Louis Wrecker Outfit. Its final disposition is unknown. The "Glendale" car, No. 1603 (1105) remained in service the longest of the four converted 1100 series cars. In 1954, it was painted in the silver and red "shadow line" livery for service on the Frisco-Katy "Texas Special." In 1962, it was repainted Pullman green and served trains 107-108, "The Sunnyland," until it was retired and sold in November, 1965. MODELERS NOTE: Car No. 1602 (1104) was the only one of the four converted 1100 series cars to be painted in the Zephyr blue and white war years livery.

In 1936, cars No. 1107 and 1108 were re-built by the Frisco. Their seating capacity was reduced to sixty-two due to the addition of two large wash rooms on each end of the car. The cars were equipped with Frisco standard shop made high cushion seats. They were 8" deep. 20" wide, and used "Foster" spring units with 35 1/2" long cushions. Both cars



No. 1103

Neodesha, KS 1950

Fred. M. Springer photo



had large tinted pictures on the bulkhead of the lounge rooms. Car No. 1107 had 18" new style luggage racks installed. The coaches retained the Pullman green livery for the duration of their service and were each equipped with ice cooled air conditioning units and "fish-belly" underframes. In 1965, both cars were assigned to extra service and remained in that capacity until they were retired. No. 1107 was sold in September, 1963, and No. 1108 was dismantled at the West Springfield Shops in June. 1965.

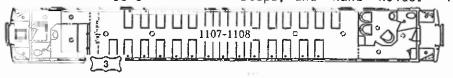
In 1945, car No. 1102 was rebuilt by the Frisco. Its seating capacity was also reduced to sixty-two with the addition of two large wash rooms. The remodeled coach was equipped with C & Ce Co. #831 revolving bucket type seats with no center arm rest and the 18" new style luggage racks.

One year later, 1946, car No. 1103 underwent similar reconditioning. Its seating capacity was reduced to sixty-two and it was equipped with A & W Co. #802F non-reversable bucket type seats and 18" luggage racks.

Both No. 1102 and 1103 had ice activated air conditioning units. MODELERS NOTE: During their 1945 and 1946 remodeling, both cars were fitted with streamline skirting and painted Zephyr blue and white. In 1950, they were repainted Pullman green and retained that color for the duration of their service.

Before being placed in extra service in 1962, No. 1102 was assigned to trains #807 & #808, "The Sunnyland" St. Louis to Memphis, and No. 1103 was assigned to trains #107 and #108, "The Sunnyland" Kansas City to Birmingham. Both cars were retired and sold for scrap in November. 1965.

A good starting point for modeling the 1100 series coaches is Athearn's #140-1854/0' coach. For the Pullman green livery (Nos. 1107-1108) use Floquil #270-110045 for the body, sash, steps, trucks, and underbody equipment. The roof, handholds, underframe, and diaphragms are engine black, Floquil #270-110010. For the Zephyr blue and white paint scheme (Nos. 1102-1103) try Floquil dark blue #270-110050 for the body, steps, and hand holds. For



the center band and sash try Floquil Platinum Mist #270-110144. The trucks, roof, and underbody was Dove Gray which is a close match to Floquil SP Letter Gray, #270-110131. The underframe and diaphragms are engine black. The correct decal set for both versions is made by Champ, #PH-50. Good luck!



The NEW CAR SHOP is a regular feature of the Modelers Information Pages profiling commercially produced Frisco models and/or kits that can be modified for Frisco use.

The following is a list of the HO model diesels available in plastic, brass, or by kitbash.

SWITCHERS

EMD:

AHM, brass Con-Cor "SW7" SW1 NW2 Athearn kitbash, brass Athearn "SW1500" SW9 **SW7** Car body on Athearn or Proto Power drive, SW1500 Alco Models (brass) MP15 Con-Cor

ALCo:

Atlas, S2 Cary, Sunset (brass) Atlas, ,Cary, (brass) **S4** Sunset

Fairbanks-Morse:

H10-44Cary Cary (metal bodies on H12-44or Proto Athearn Power chassis)

Baldwin:

V0660 Hallmark (brass) Us4-4-6 Modified Athearn S12 Athearn V01000 "Stretched" Athearn

GE:

44-ton Bachman, Keystone Loco Works 70-ton Keystone Loco Works

CAB UNITS

EMD:

Cary, Stewart, Model F3 Power Athearn F9B Modified Athearn shell

Al.Co:

FA1 Train Miniature. Lionel, Overland (brass)

PASSENGER UNITS

EMD:

E7 Model Power, Hallmark (brass) Rivarossi, Model Power (no visual difference) E8 FP7 Àtlas (out of production - good luck finding one)

ROAD SWITCHERS

ALCo:

Atlas RS2 Model Power, Modified Stewart RS3 GE:

U258 Stewart U30B Athearn (also, the U33B can be used to model a later U30B by removing the batwings at the rear of the shell) Heavy-duty plastic kitbash, E & P (brass) B30-7 EMD:

GP7 Athearn, Front Range GP15-1 Another heavy-duty kitbash or Hallmark

(brass) GP35 Àthearn Atlas, Athearn GP38AC

GP38-2 Athearn GP40-2 Modified Atlas, Athearn kitbash (GP50 and SD40-2 shells)

GP50 Athearn SD40-2 Athearn Athearn SD45

NOTE: As of July, 1988, Front Range has announced possible manufacture of a GP35, GP15-1, and a GP40-2. □ EDITOR'S NOTE: Thanks and a tip of the Frisco hat to Frisco Folk Bob Thompson for compiling the above list. If you are interested in corresponding with Bob concerning items on the list, his address is:

Bob Thompson 1206 E. Kirk, Apt. 10 Hugo, OK 74743



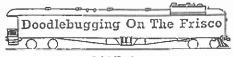
The MAIL CAR is a regular feature of the Modelers Information Pages in which we attempt to answer some of the many questions that are mailed to our RESEARCH SERVICE. If you have a question about the equipment, facilities, or operation of the Frisco, please send them to the RESEARCH SERVICE. All request are answered individually and selected questions will appear in the MAIL CAR feature.

OUESTION: Did the Frisco ever have any blue and white diesels?

ANSWER: Yes. According to our records, twenty-two first generation Frisco switch engines were painted Zephyr blue and white with red Baldwin built lettering. VO-1000 series engines Nos. 200-219 were delivered between 1941 and 1944 in the blue and white livery, along with VO-660 units Nos. 600 and 601. The latter two engines were renumbered 60 and 61 in 1951.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The January "NEW CAR SHOP" will feature an article on modeling Frisco #219 in blue and white.





PART 9

Motor car No. 2103 was the fourth unit of Frisco's original fleet of ten. Numbers 2100-2105 were purchased by the Central Trust Company of New York and sold to the Frisco under the terms of Equipment Gold Notes Series (), dated August 1, 1910. Cars 2106-2109 were purchased by the Guaranty Trust Company of New York and sold to the New Orleans, Texas, and Mexico Railroad Company under the terms of Equipment Gold Notes Series B, dated September 15, 1911.

Car No. 2103, serial #3714, was similar in design to car No. 2101. It was 70'2" long, 10' wide, and weighed 114.200 wide, and weighed 114,200 Ibs. It was an all steel baggage-coach combination with a center vestibule entrance and open rear platform. The body was manufactured by Wason, Model #10400, trucks by ALCo. H.P 175 and the GM-16-A1 engine 205D and traction motors were built by G.E. The first ten cars in the series were all assembled and sold as G.E. units.

The interior finish of the car was mahogany with a yellow pine floor. The inside arrangement of the car had a shortened baggage section to accommodate five additional -seats in a compartment to the front of the center vestibule. This design was a departure and/or modification of the arrangement of cars 2100 and 2101 which both had straight baggage compartments forward of the center entrance. EDITOR'S NOTE: Car No. 2101 (ALL ABOARD, September, 1988) was incorrectly listed as having seats in the forward section.

Number 2103 was placed in service in September, 1911, on the seventy-two mile Westville to Muskogee, OK run. trains 784 and 785 daily. In March, 1934, 2103 and sister car 2100 were dismantled and sold for scrap.



LOOKING BACKWARD is a monthly teature of the ALL ABOARD that takes a look back through our files at the people and events that were a part of the Frisco 25, 50, and 100 years ago.

25 years - 1963

On December 6, 1963, it was announced that the new Frisco office building in Springfield was to be located at the corner of Mill Street and Ingram Mill Road. The building was to replace the existing office facility, a four-story structure on the corner of Jefferson Ave. and Olive St. NOTE: Both buildings are still standing. The old Jefferson Ave. location is now the "Landmark Building" and the Mill St. (now Trafficway) site is owned by Mid American Dairy.

50 years - 1938

Between October and December, 1938, 141 automobile box cars were remodeled in the Springfield Car Shops. roofs were raised 11" to meet the new size requirements of auto models soon to be announced. Other car shop for accomplishments 1938

included the building of twenty-one cabooses, fifteen box cars, eight baggage cars, tour combination cars, and three chair cars.

100 years - 1888

Equipment on the Frisco roster at the close of 1888 was:

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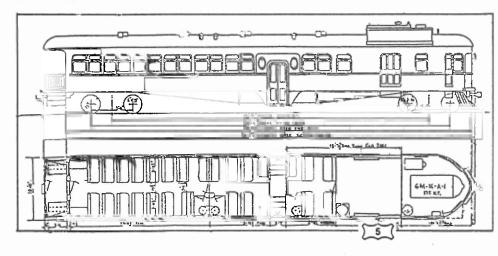
"Frisco Survivors" (ALL ABOARD November, 1988) incorrectly stated that locomotive #4524 was donated to Springfield in the Spring of 1957. The correct date was November, 1954. The article also incorrectly stated that the engine was moved down West Lynn St. The correct street was West Calhoun St.

NEXT MONTH IN THE

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Winslow, AR, The FRISCO FAMILY returns, Modeling a red, white, and blue VO-100, Frisco flat #3803, Doodlebugging on the Frisco, plus much more!



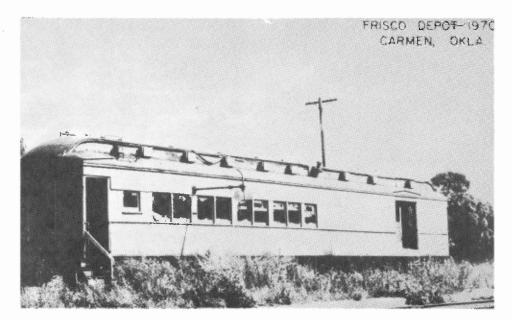


Down At The Depot

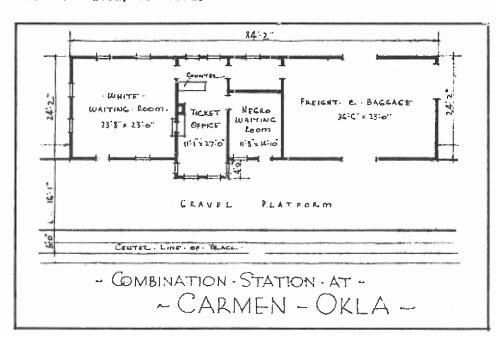
Carmen, Oklahoma

The years 1901 and 1904 were both uniquely related to the rail history of Carmen, OK, station Z589 on the Avard Sub-Division of the Western Division of the Frisco. In 1904, a frame depot was

built at Carmen, O.T. on what was originally the Arkansas Valley and Western Railway Co. Incorporated January 29, 1902, when the company was purchased by the Frisco on March 1, 1904, it owned 175 miles of standard gauge single track railroad, extending from a connection_with the main line of the Frisco at Arkansas Valley and Western Junction, south of Tulsa, to Avard.



H.D. Conner photo



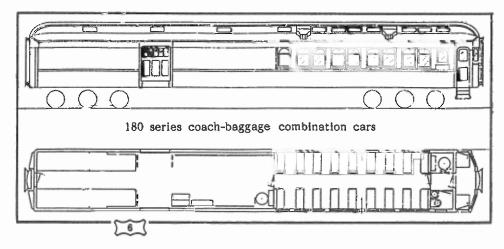
The combination station was 84' by 24' and was divided into a white waiting room, ticket office, negro waiting room, and a large freight and baggage room. It had 2"x6" walls set on a pile head foundation with a 1/3 pitch gable roof covered shingles. The depot had 14' ceilings, was heated with wood stoves, had electric lights, and outside toilet facilities. the floor, walls, and ceilings were 3/4"x3 1/4" yellow pine and the exterior was covered with 1"x6" drop siding. The platform was gravel with a concrete curb.

April, 1901, In the American Car and Foundry Co. built a series of five 60' built a series of five baggage cars, Nos. 182-186. They were steel composite cars

underframe, (steel wood upperframe, and steel sheath siding) built at a cost of \$10,646.00 each. In 1931, car No. 184 was rebuilt as a thirty passenger combination coach-baggage car and placed in service between Enid and Avard, OK. In an attempt to prolong its service life, the car was reconditioned at the Springfield West Shops in However, by November, 1950. 1956, the now fifty-five year was held old car for declared disposition and for unworthy further any In May, it was off the books and it was repair. charged disposed of in a rather interesting and unique way.

the Frisco started When closing, replacing, and up dating many of its old depots in the late 1950's and early 1960's, the 1904 frame depot at Carmen was replaced.....with the 1901 combination coach-baggage No. 184! The new "Car-men" depot ironically served as a freight only depot as passenger service between Enid and Avard discontinued in 1960. ₩





President's Christmas Messade

Shortly after the museum ned, I set four opened. set unofficial" goals, all of Ι wanted to see which accomplished within our first years of operation. three be financially One, to self-sustaining; two, to have 100 members in our Frisco
Folks family; three, to have a
new facility; four, to have a
piece of Frisco rolling stock.
Included in my long list of

Included in my long list of things to remember at thanksgiving was the following: One, the museum has operated in the "black" every month since we have been opened; two, Frisco Folk member number 100 was signed up November 7, 1988; three, we took possession of a 9,000 sq. ft. building on June 1, 1988; four, caboose #1139 was set in place on October 1, 1988 and paid-in-full on October 9, 1988!

During this year's Christmas celebration of giving, I would be amiss if I did not thank and publicly acknowledge those members and friends who have made 1988 a joyous and successful time and enabled us to reach those goals!

ais: From our crew to yours....

MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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